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FM AMEMBASSY KHARTOUM

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SUBJECT: CISCO II; RELEASE ITALIAN NATIONAL

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1. BRIEFED FONMIN USEC MIRGHANI THIS MORNING RE OUR DAMASCUS CONTACT WITH SABBE ALONG LINES EARLIER TALK WITH ABU ZEID (REFTEL). MIRGHANI IMMEDIATELY UNDERSTOOD AND COMMENTED GOS NEEDED ALL HELP IT COULD GET IN SEEKING RELEASE REMAINING HOSTAGES.

2. MIRGHANI THEN TOLD ME THAT SUDANESE HAVE BEEN SUCCESSFUL IN WORKING OUT RELEASE ITALIAN NATIONAL FALANCHI. LATTER NOW ENROUTE KHARTOUM FROM "DEEP INDISE" ERITREA AND WOULD BE TURNED OVER TO ITALIAN AMBASSADOR HERE WHEN HE HAD ARRIVED.

3. COMMENT: FOREGOING IS LATEST WELCOME INDICATION CONTINUING CONSTRUCTIVE ROLE GOS PREPARED PLAY WITH RESPECT ERITREAN HOSTAGES. WE BELIEVE LATEST WORD WAS THAT FALANCHI WAS HELD BY ELF WHICH WOULD UNDERLINE

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PARTICULAR IMPORTANCE GOS ROLE VIS-A-VIS THAT ORGANIZATION

IN SECURING RELEASE MICHALKE. PRESUME GOI ALREADY AWARE
DEVELOPMENTS RE FALANCHI BUT NO OBJECTION HERE TO HAVING
AMEMBASSY ROME INFORM ITALIANS AS LONG AS MIRGHANI IS
FULLY PROTECTED AS SOURCE. BREWER

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